

## MICROWAVABLE MEAL KIT AND FOOD PACKAGING SYSTEM

### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A microwavable food packaging system includes a tray formed from a base and a sidewall extending from the base which sidewall terminates in a free edge. The base and sidewall define an interior cavity. The free edge defines a tray opening. The base  
5 has a raised button extending into the cavity. A sleeve surrounds the tray. The sleeve includes a front panel having a display surface and is disposed adjacent to the tray opening and a rear panel disposed adjacent to the base. The sleeve adjacent to the base extends outwardly to form a leg upon which the sleeve and tray can be upstandingly placed. The tray is adapted to receive food pouches within the cavity. The raised button  
10 stabilizes the center of gravity of the food packaging system when the food packaging system is placed in an upstanding position on the leg. Advantageously, at least one food pouch disposed in the cavity. The tray opening may be covered with the polymeric film that is sufficiently self-supporting to serve as a splatter guard by being placed over the tray opening when the tray is placed into a microwave for heating of food in the tray  
15 cavity.

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